

Sinclair Broadcasting forcing their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a flagrant abuse of the charter granted to them by the citizens of the United States.

Sinclair has been allowed to use the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when companies control the airwaves based only on what's good for the bottom line and not what's good for democracy we get partisan demagoguery instead of real and substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.